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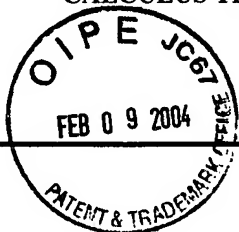
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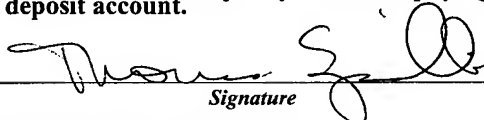
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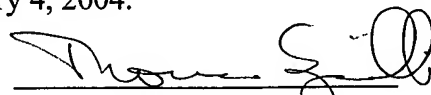
1. U.S. Patent No. 4,227,532 dated October 14, 1980 issued to Bluhm et al.;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,957,943 dated September 28, 1999 issued to Vaitekunas;  
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3. U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0010477 dated January 24, 2002 to Hirt et al.

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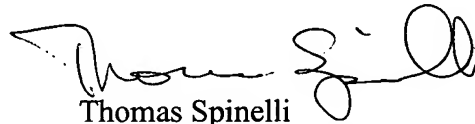
  
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The references were cited in a Search Report dated November 4, 2003 received from the European Patent Office. The relevance of the above-identified references has been described in the Search Report.

In accordance with the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i), per 1276 OG 55, August 5, 2003, applicants are not required to submit copies of the above-cited U.S. Patent references.

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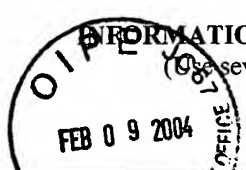
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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